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REF : Memorandum to AD/O from Executive Assistant to DCI dated 1 March 1951 transmitting copy No. 77 of a "Utilization Study of the High Frequency Part of the Radio Spectrum" prepared by the President's Communications Policy Board

1. The study transmitted by reference memorandum underlines the need for a telecommunications agency outside the FCC.

2. The proposed Telecommunications Advisory Board should be empowered to:

a. Arbitrate the registration, utilization, assignment and priority of need for telecommunications channels by Government and non-Government interests.

b. Negotiate for the reduction of interference problems on and between channels occupied by United States and foreign stations.

c. Represent United States' interests in the implementation of international treaties.

d. Coordinate the activities of FCC and IRAC as they pertain to the problems of United States telecommunications.

3. It would appear that the proposed board should be located in the Executive Office of the President.

4. In order to avoid duplication of facilities and functions, the proposed agency should call on the FCC for required monitoring. It is believed that this may require an expansion of FCC's Field Engineering and Monitoring Division.

5. The Office of Operations has no comment on the relationship of the new agency to other agencies.

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TO : Asst. Dir. for Scientific Intelligence

FROM : Exec Asst to DCI

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Our comments have been requested by March 10 on the following points:

1. The need for a top-level telecommunications agency; ✓
2. The functions of the Telecommunications Advisory Board;
3. The location of the proposed Board in the Executive Office of the President;
4. The structure of the proposed agency; ✓
5. Its relationship to other agencies, particularly IRAC and the Telecommunications Coordinating Committee.

Would you let me have your comments by 8 March.

LBK

Att:1) No. 75

2) Basic document.

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